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The Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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AMENDMENT

By JSR MERCK & CO., INC. Date 5/19/03

Sir:

This communication is in further response to the non-final office action mailed March 12, 2003, for which a response is due **June 12, 2002**. An earlier response was filed via fax on March 28, 2003. Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please add new claims 15 and 16:

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Claim 15. (New) A method according to claim 4, wherein said disease condition is cerebral ischemia, chronic neurodegeneration, psychiatric disorders, schizophrenia, mood disorders, emotion disorders, disorders of extrapyramidal motor function, obesity, disorders of respiration, motor control and function, attention deficit disorders, concentration disorders, pain disorders, neurodegenerative disorders, epilepsy, convulsive disorders, eating disorders, sleep